



EUV lithography scanner for sub 9 nm resolution

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ASML EUV technology roadmap has extendibility through many nodes

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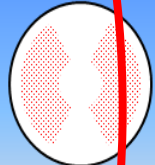
Extend NA 0.33 to below 10nm

Improved lens and illuminator performance

Imaging / Overlay performance match node requirements

Increased throughput at higher dose

					Under study				
Resolution/HP [nm]		32	27	22	16	13	10	7	<7
Wavelength [nm]		13.5							
Lens	NA	0.25		0.33			0.33NA DPT		
	flare	8%		6%		4%		>0.5NA	
Illumination	coherence	$\sigma=0.5$	$\sigma=0.8$	$\sigma=0.2-0.9$	Flex-OAI	Extended Flex-OAI			
							reduced pupil fill ratio		
Imaging Overlay	CDU [nm]	-	2.0	1.7	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.9	 pupil fill defined by bright fraction of the pupil
	DCO [nm]	7	4.0	3.0	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.0	
	MMO [nm]	-	7.0	5.0	2.5	2.0	1.7	1.4	
TPT (300mm)	Dose [mJ/cm ²]	5	10	15	15	20	20		
	Power [W]	3	10 - 105	80 - 250	250	250	500		
	Throughput [W/hr]	-	6 - 60	55 - 125	125	125	165		



pupil fill ratio defined as the bright fraction of the pupil

**The Half Field anamorphic concept is
a breakthrough for High NA EUVL:**

**We can now extend the EUV Technology
roadmap below 9nm with $NA > 0.5$**

Agenda



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- Summary of the Optics (Zeiss - Migura)
- Previous Quarter Field Concept
- New Half Field Concept
- Imaging verification
- Design challenges

Summary of the previous presentation

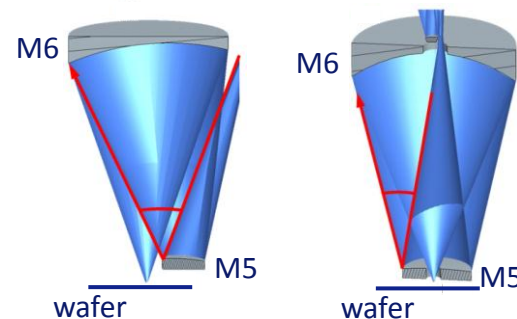
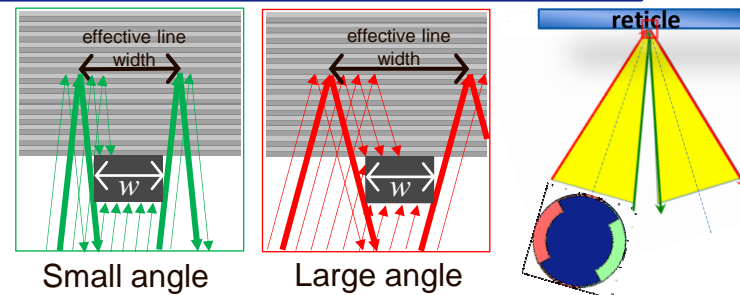


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11:00 AM – 11:25 AM EUV Lithography Optics for sub 9 nm Resolution
Sascha Migura, Carl Zeiss (Invited)

- 3D effects on the mask require the magnification to increase to 8x
- Two options are possible:
 - 8x isomorphic \rightarrow 13mm slit
 - 4x/8x anamorphic \rightarrow 26mm slit
- Potential to increase transmission $\sim 2\times$
 - W.r.t. NXE:3300
 - By narrowing the angles in the optical system





Previous Quarter Field concept

Image contrast increases with a larger magnification

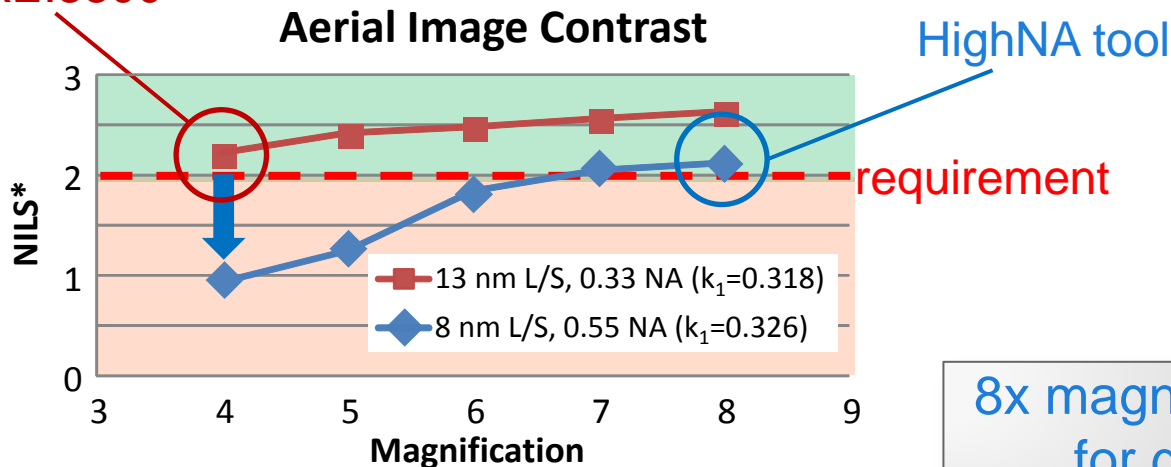
Smaller angles restore the imaging quality



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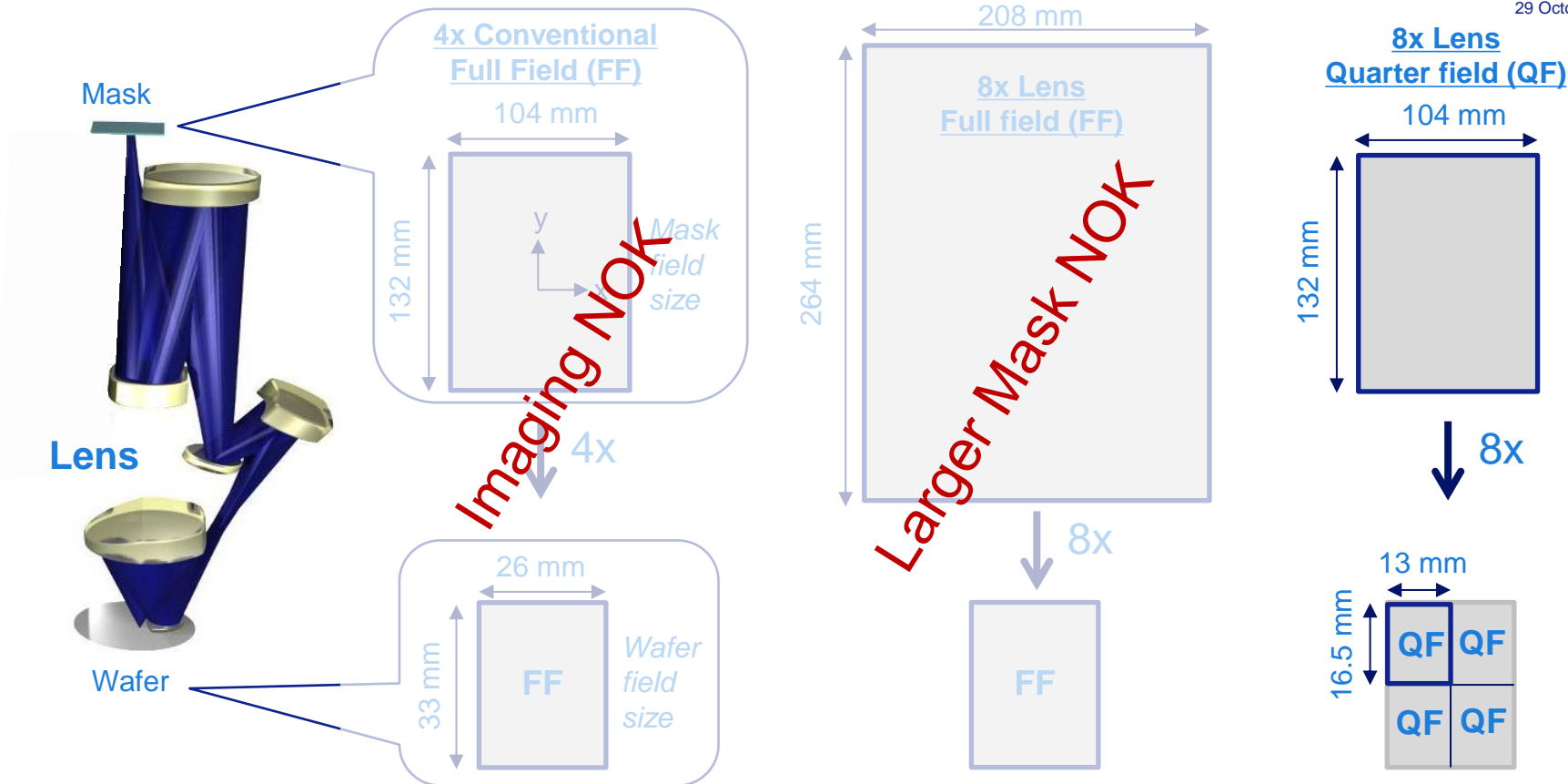


8x magnification required
for good imaging

*NILS = Normalized Image Log Slope,
measure for image contrast

HighNA Lens Scenarios

Conventional 4x lens versus Quarter Field 8x lens



HighNA Quarter Field concept impacts throughput

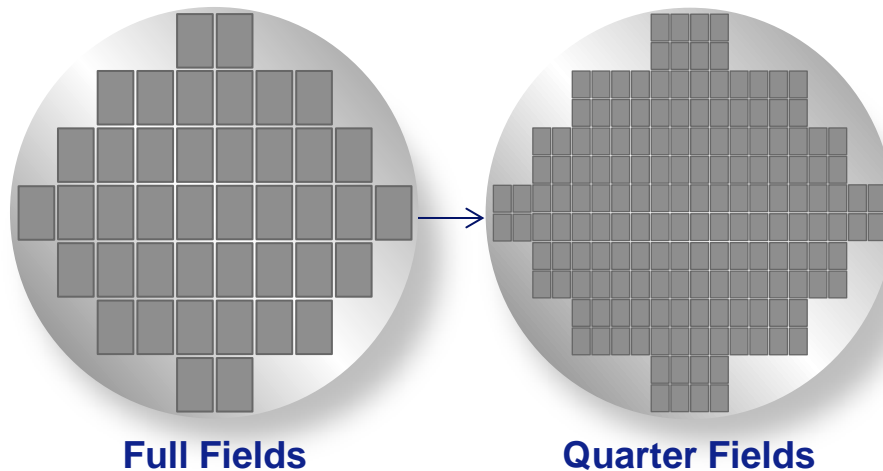
Faster stages required to compensate overhead

Speed of reticle will increase 4x:

- Magnification 2x (4x \rightarrow 8x)
- Speed of wafer 2x (slit 26mm \rightarrow 13mm)

Overhead time increases 16x:

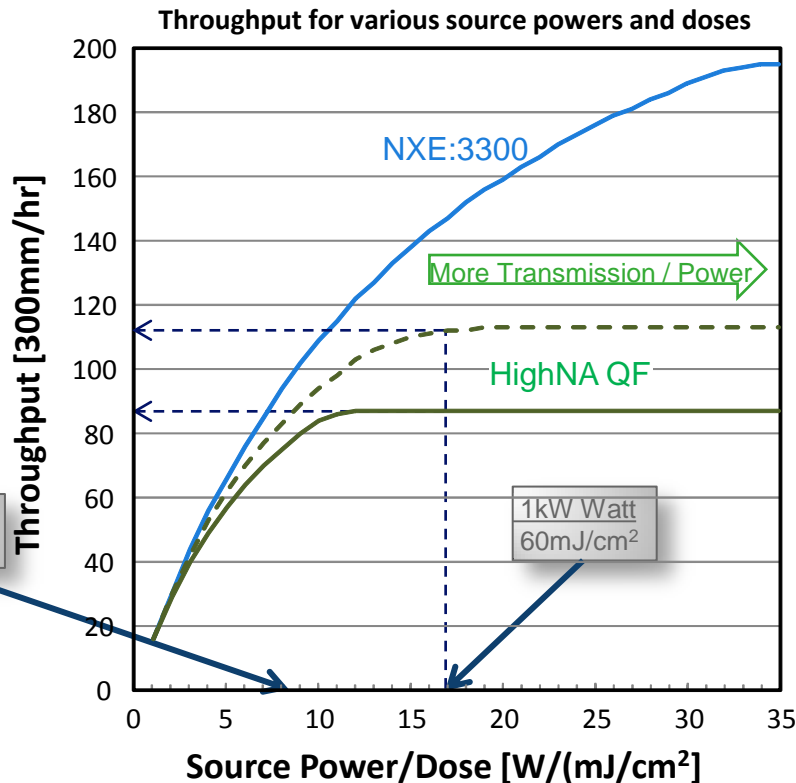
- 4x more dies
- 4x longer acceleration time needed



Acceleration of the reticle stage
needs to go up $\gg 4x$

HighNA Quarter Field productivity

QF limits TPT to 110wph, even with improved stage accelerations



WS,RS current performance

WS 2x, RS 4x

WS current, RS 2x

With double accelerations
throughput still too low



New Half Field concept

Image contrast increases with a larger magnification

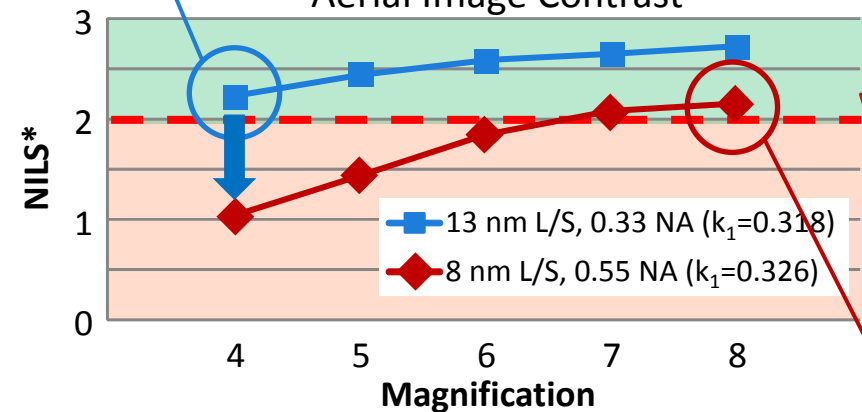
But: only needed for Horizontal Lines

NXE:3300

Horizontal Lines

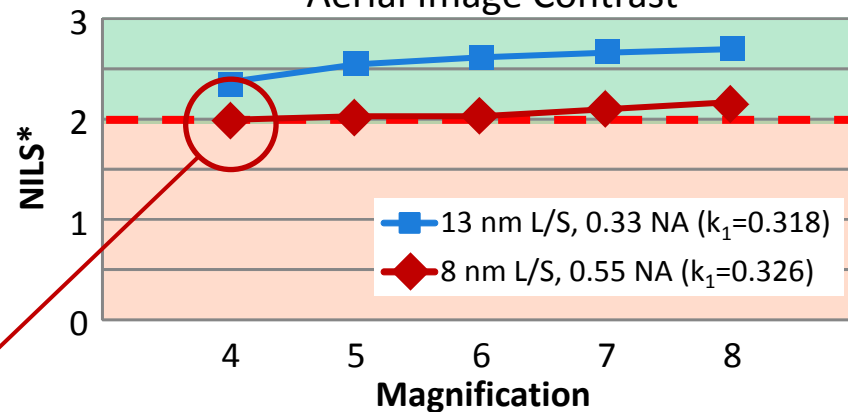
Aerial Image Contrast

requirement



Vertical Lines

Aerial Image Contrast



HighNA tool

4x/8x anamorphic
magnification required for
HighNA imaging

*NILS = Normalized Image Log Slope

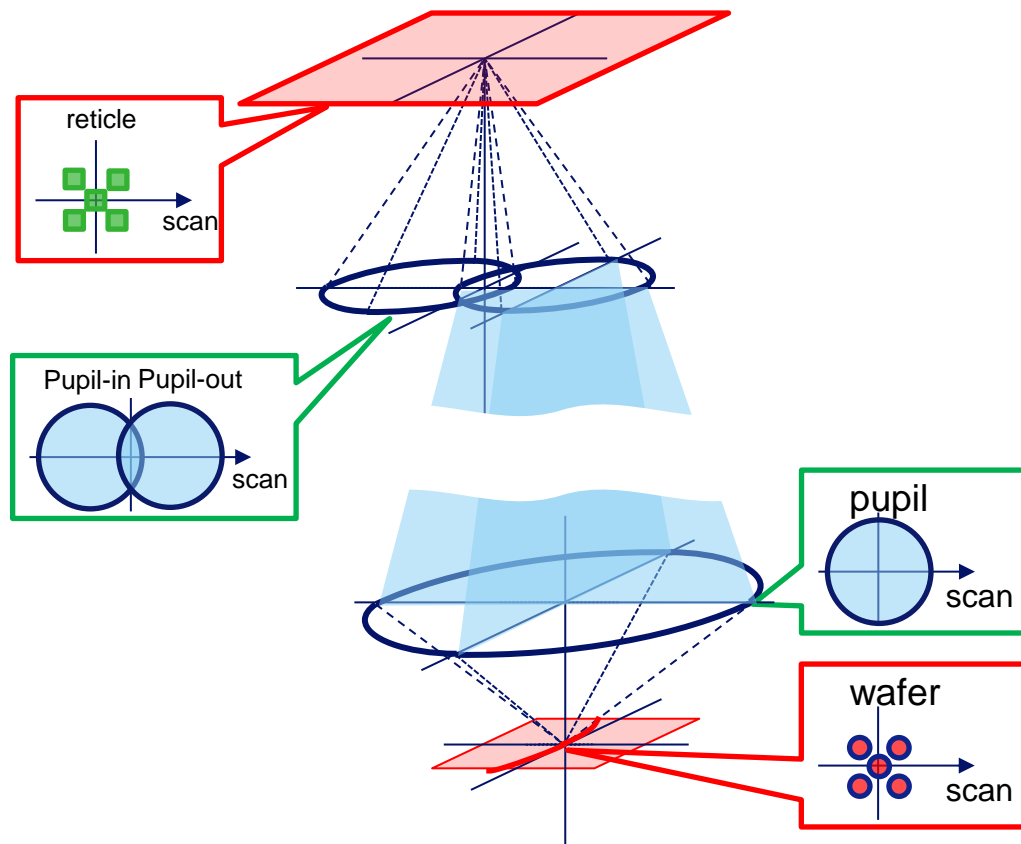
HighNA $>0.5\text{NA}$ 4x magnification

Maintaining Chief Ray angle at Mask not possible



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HighNA >0.5NA 4x/8x anamorphic magnification

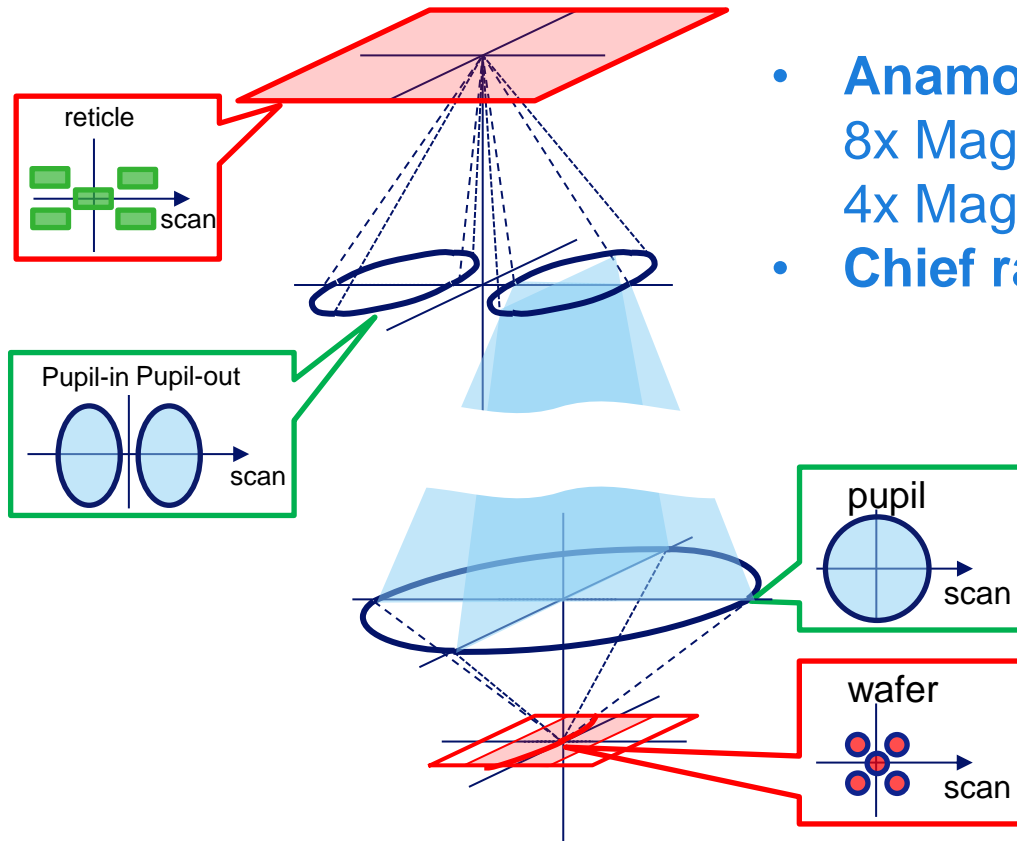
Chief Ray Angle at Mask can be maintained



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- **Anamorphic optics → half field:**
8x Magnification in scan
4x Magnification in other direction
- **Chief ray angle ok → Imaging ok**



The image at the mask
needs to change

HighNA Lens Scenarios

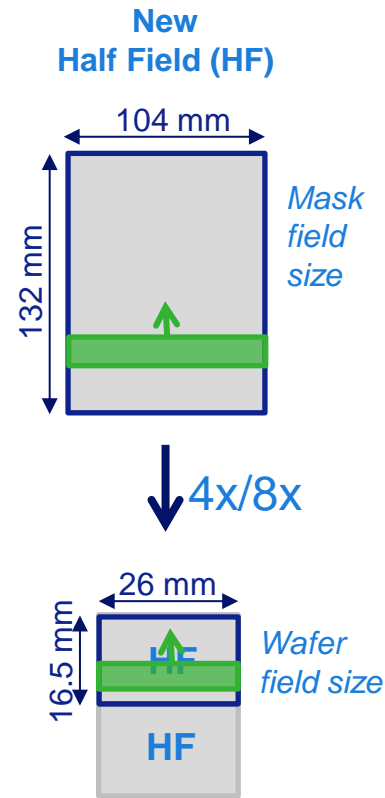
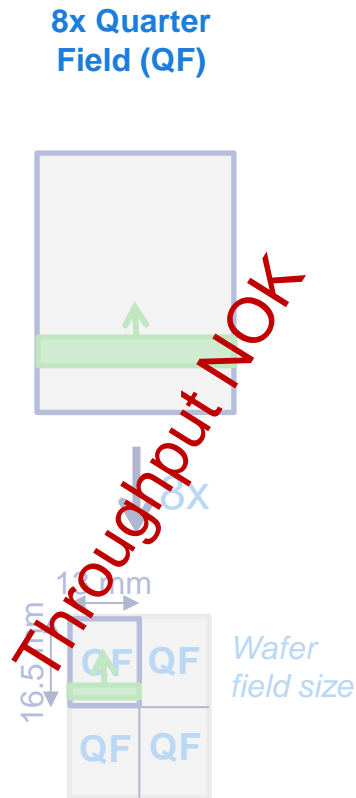
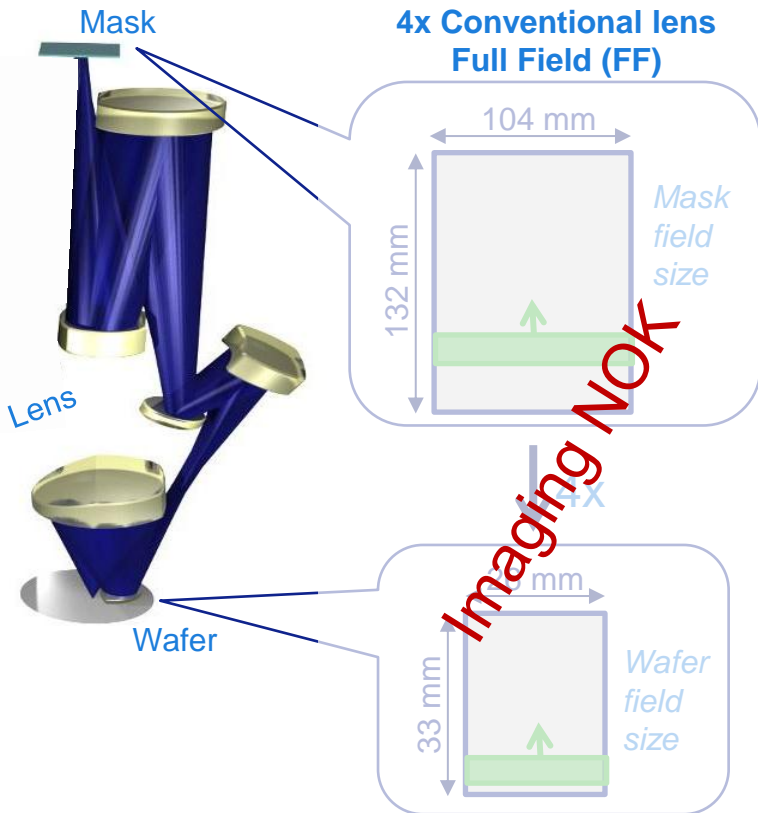
Conventional 8x lens (QF) versus anamorphic Half-Field lens

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Note: rectangular slit shown for illustration purposes

HighNA new Half Field concept

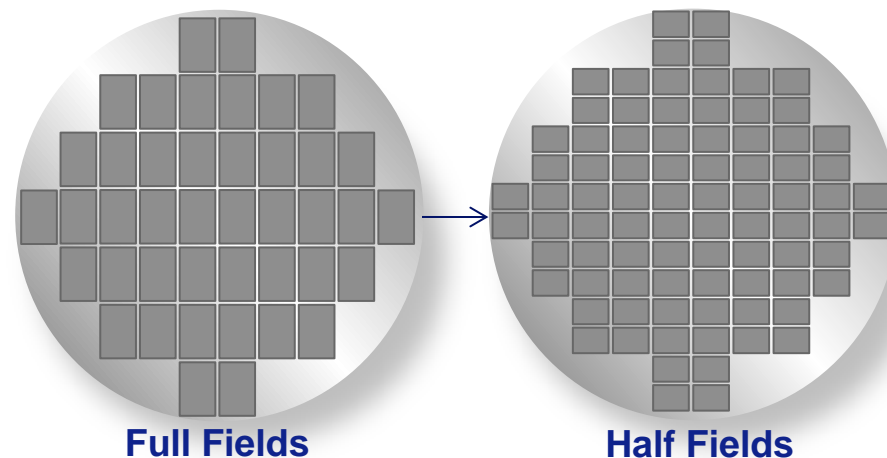
Less stringent demands on stages

Speed of mask will increase by 2x:

- Speed of wafer stays the same (26mm slit)
- Magnification 2x (4x \rightarrow 8x)

Overhead increases 4x:

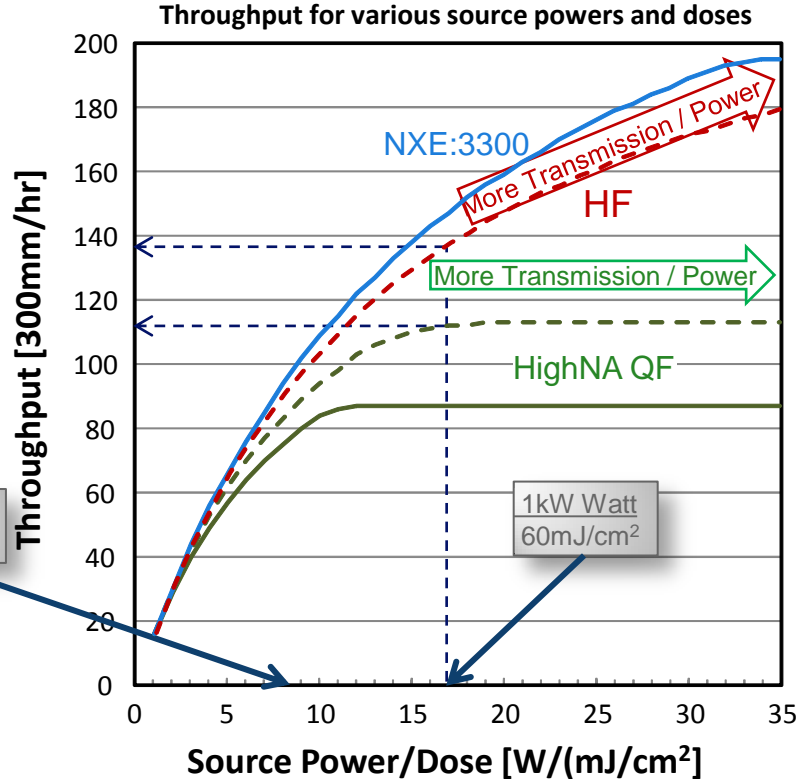
- 2x more dies
- 2x acceleration time needed



Acceleration of the reticle stage
needs to go up ~4x

HighNA Field and Mask Size productivity

HF significantly improves throughput



WS, RS current performance

WS 2x, RS 4x

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WS current, RS 2x

And there is even >180wph
throughput potential!

3 options to utilize the 180wph throughput potential

Preferably by increasing the transmission of the optics



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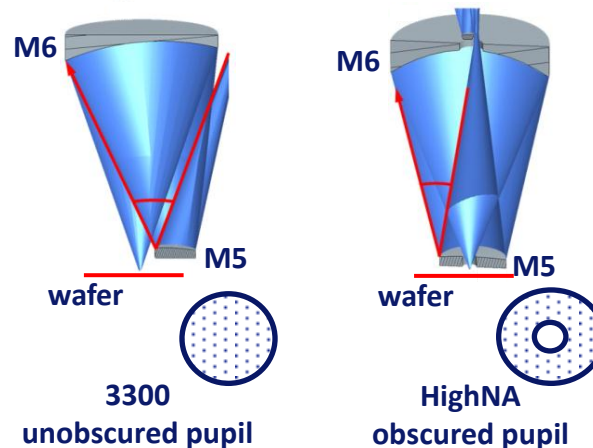
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- Increase source power to $\sim 2\text{kW}$
 - We need to generate this 2kW
 - Additional heat loads need to be mitigated in the scanner
- Reduce dose to $\sim 30\text{mJ/cm}^2$
 - Smaller resolutions require larger doses to keep up with the LWR
- Increase transmission $\sim 2\times$
 - By narrowing the angles in the optics
 - Always preferred

Not nice

Nice but feasible?

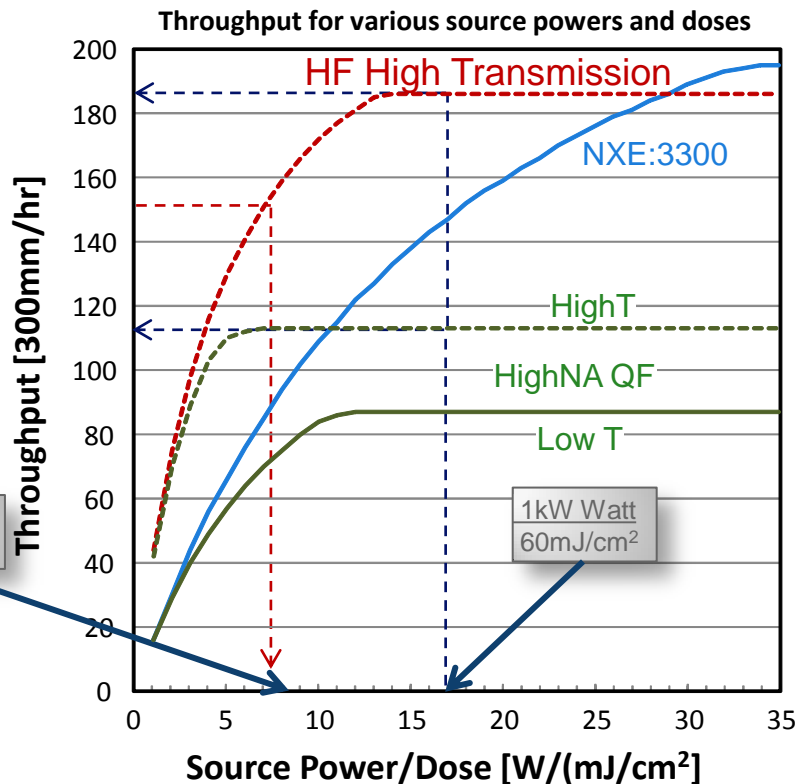
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Central obscuration
reduces angles on M5

HighNA Field and Mask Size productivity

500W and ~2x transmission enables a TPT >150wph



WS, RS current performance

WS 2x, RS 4x

WS 2x, RS 4x

WS current, RS 2x

HighNA Half Field scanner with
increased transmission needs
500W for 150wph at 60mJ/cm²



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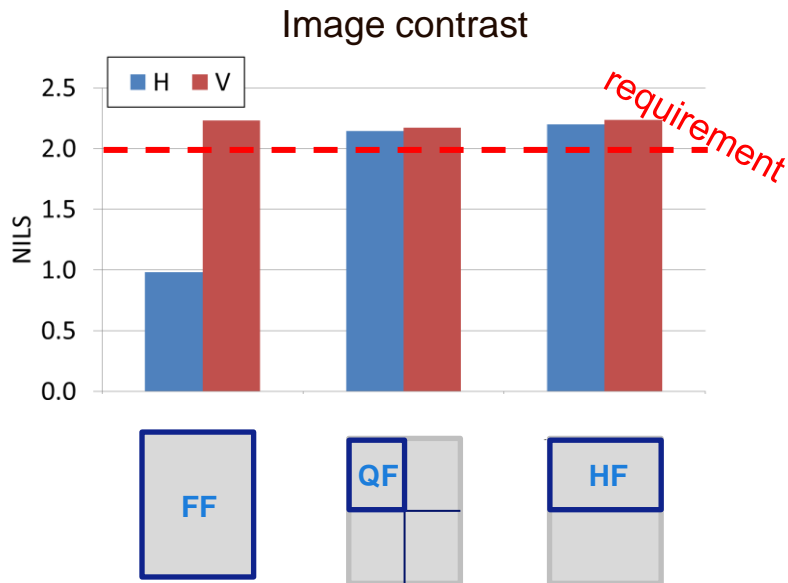
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Imaging Verification

Imaging verification of the new Half Field concept

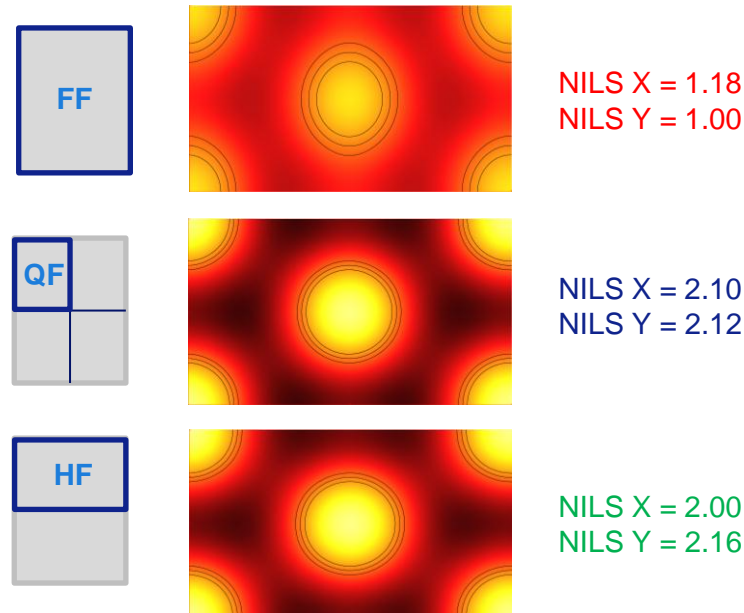
LS and CH's: no significant impact w.r.t. QF observed

8nm Dense Lines, NA=0.52



H: Horizontal lines
V: Vertical lines

10.5nm Dense Contact Holes, NA=0.52



Verification of anamorphic modelling

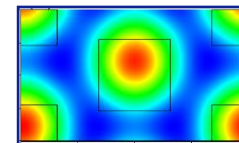
Different simulation engines show consistent results.



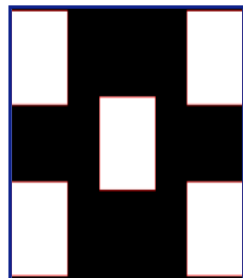
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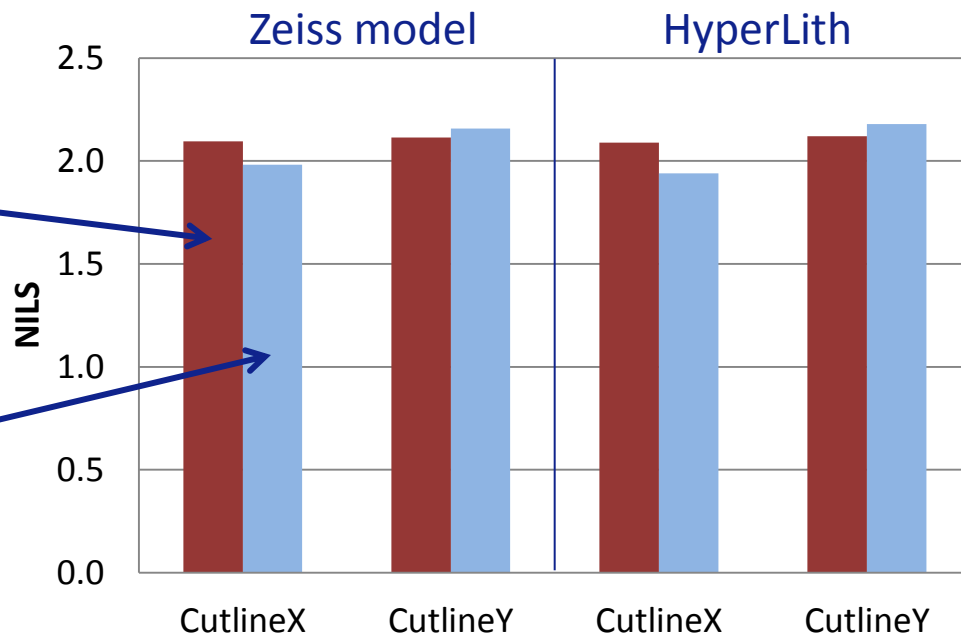
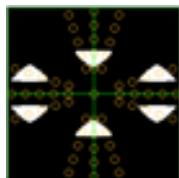
- NILS for 10.5 nm staggered CH's, 0.52NA
- Zeiss model
- HyperLith simulations



8x mask and
circular pupil



4x/8x mask and
elliptical pupil

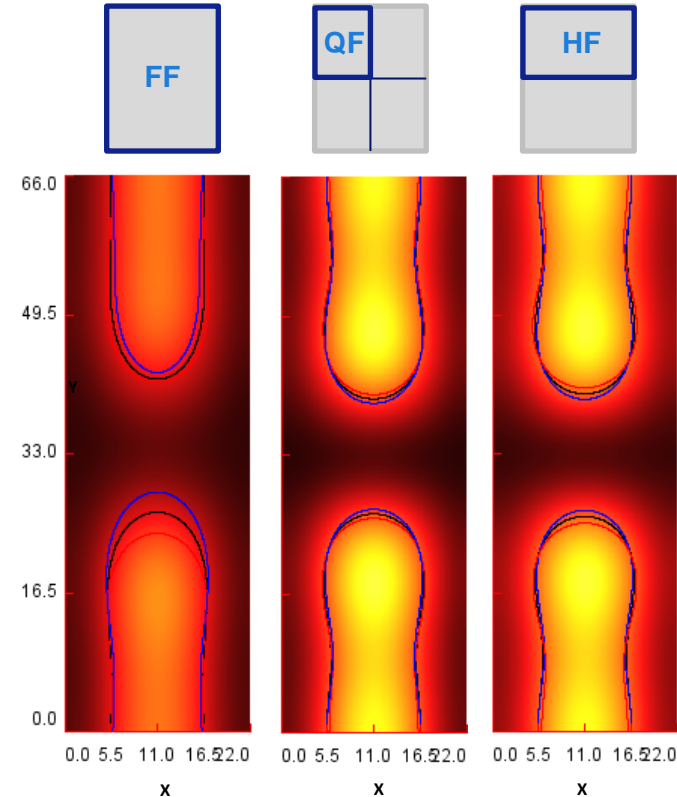
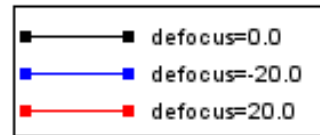
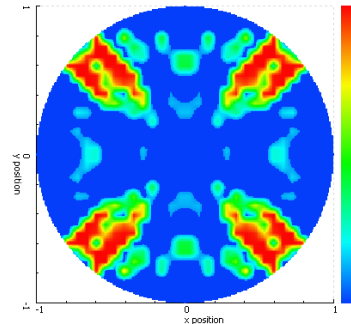
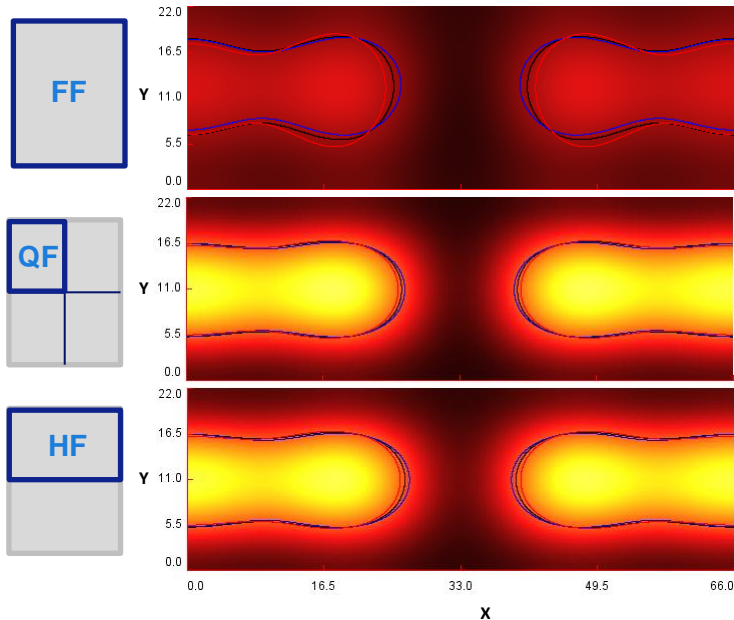


Imaging verification of the new Half Field concept

Logic N5 Line Ends 11nm HP L/S, 16.5nm gap size, NA=0.52

Aerial Image Intensity in HyperLith

Note: pictures at same scale, smaller mask reflection is also visible

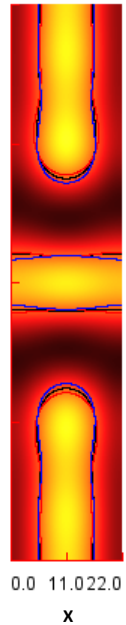
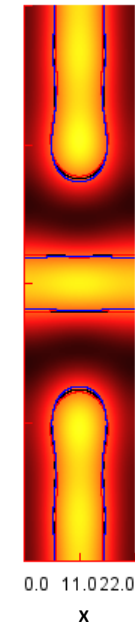
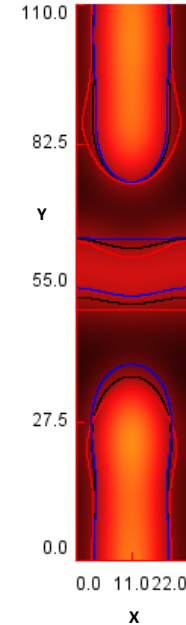
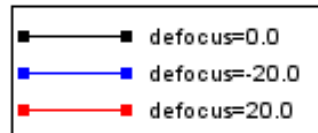
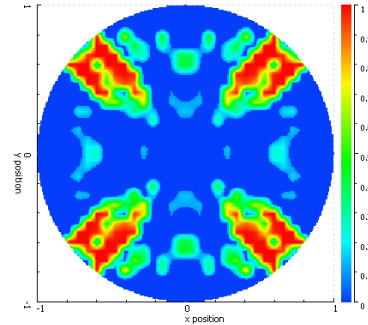
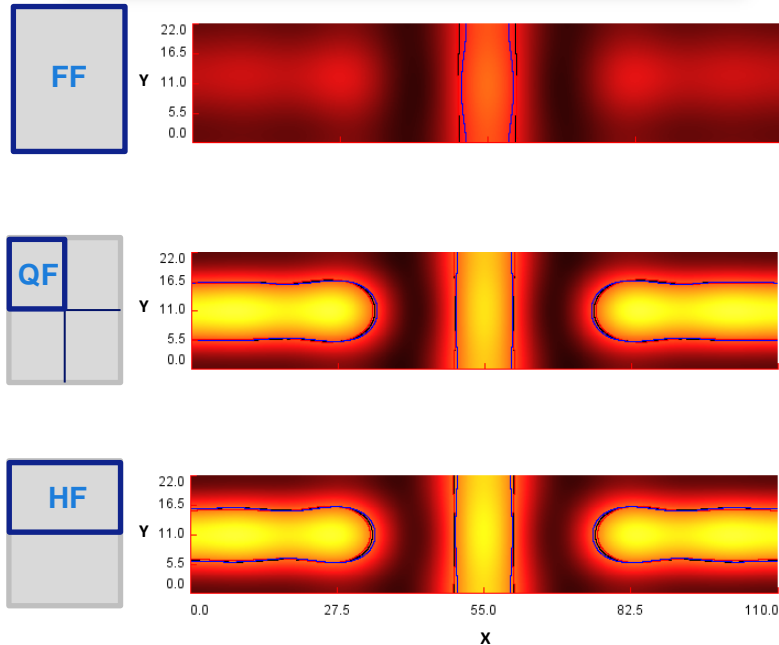


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Logic N5 Open T, 11nm HP L/S, 16.5nm gap size, NA=0.52

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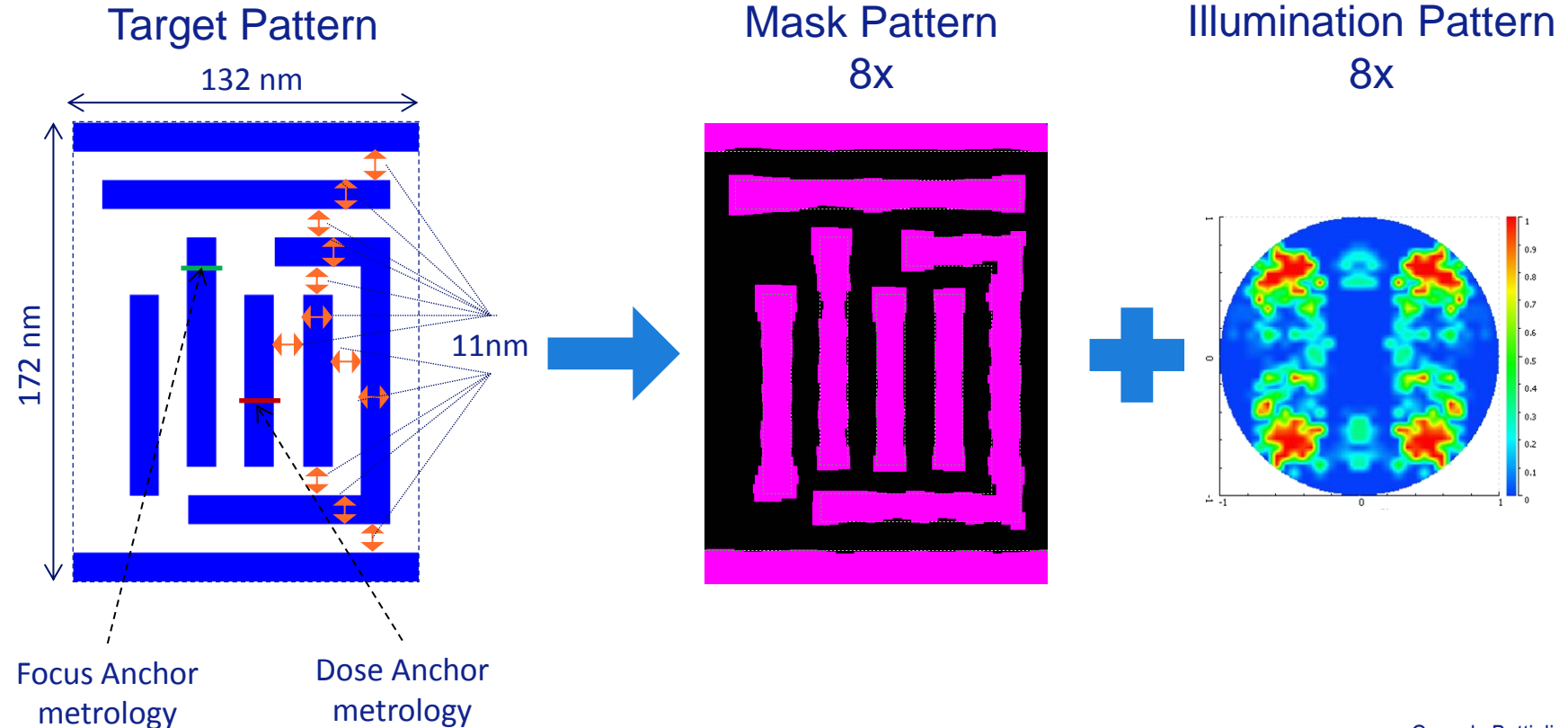
Logic N5 clip Metal-1, 11nm lines. OPC

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Logic N5 clip Metal-1, 11nm lines Aerial Image Intensity in Hyperlith

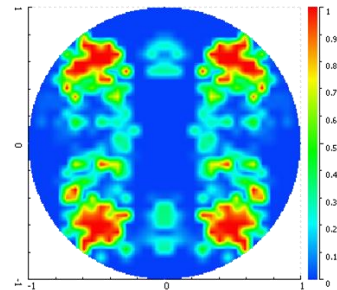
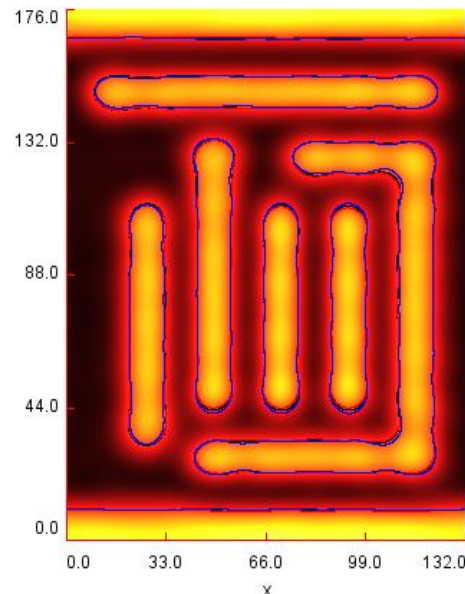
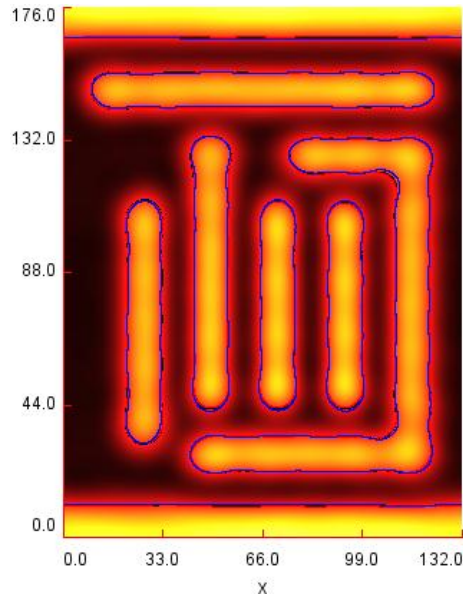
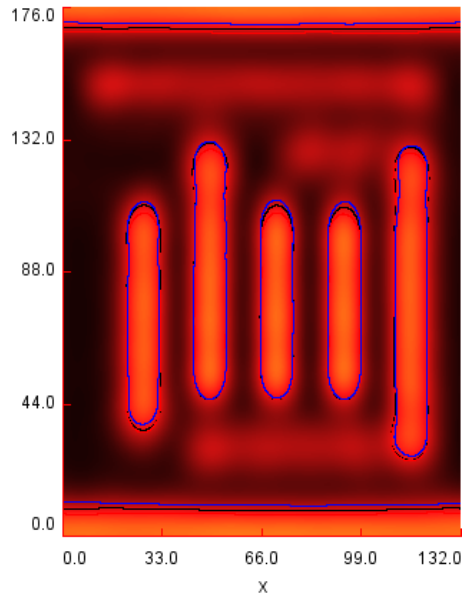
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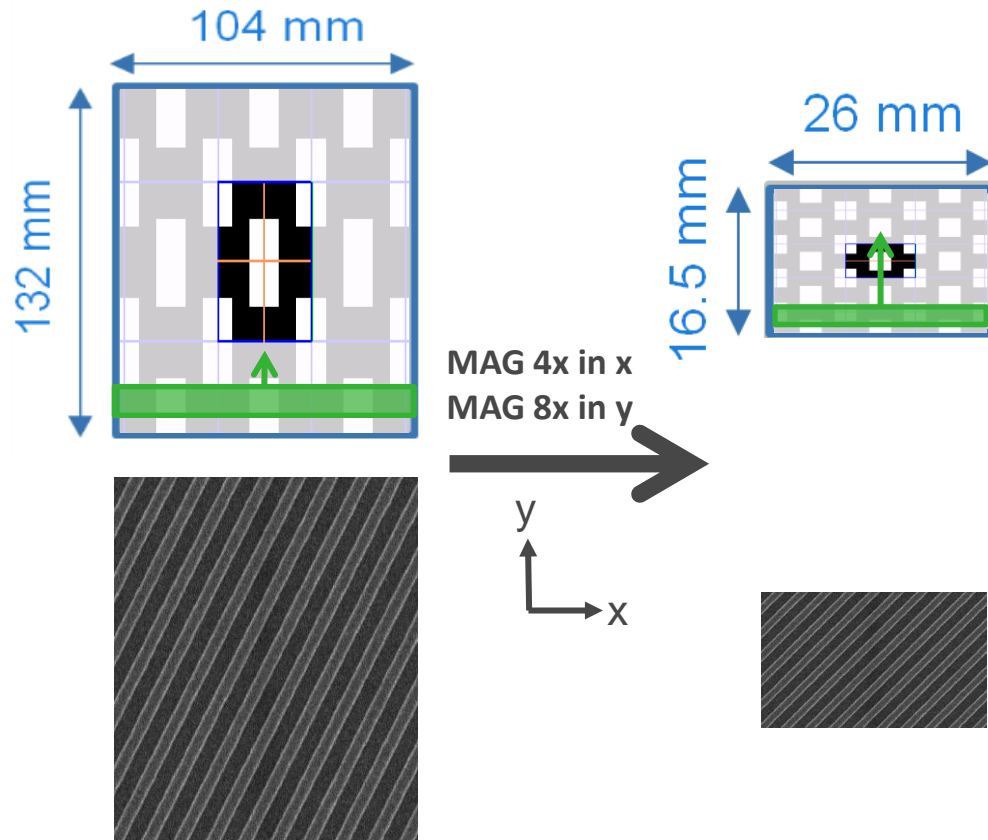
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Design Challenges

Some Mask Consequences

The anamorphic lens must be able to project a stretched mask pattern

- The image on the mask is a stretched version of the image on the wafer
 - A 1:2 rectangle on the mask will yield a square pattern on the wafer
- Angles do not stay the same
 - An intended 45deg line will have a different angle on the reticle

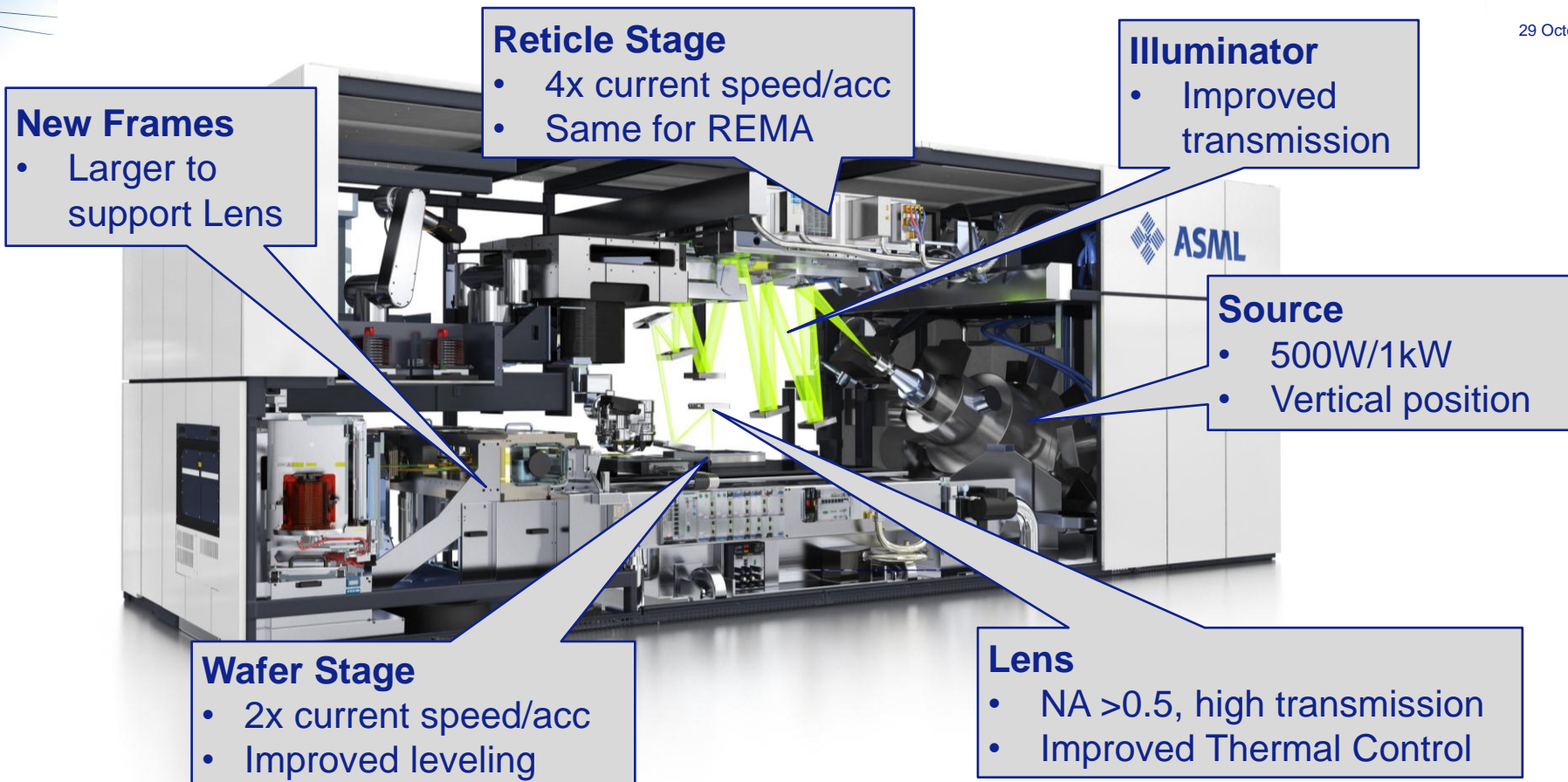


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Overview main System Changes HighNA tool

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High-NA EUV impact of HF on RS architecture

New SS, LoS actuators, motor cooling, reticle clamp & thermal control needed

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Stage mass & volume increase (by added motor mass)

- Reluctance SS actuators
- LoS moving magnet actuators

Peak electrical power

- Pursue lower stage mass
- New LoS power amplifiers

Dissipated power

- Pursue lower stage mass
- Alternative motor cooling

Reticle heat load

- Reticle thermal control solutions needed

Reticle clamping pressure

- Novel clamp to overcome reticle slip



The Half Field anamorphic concept is a breakthrough for HighNA EUVL:

- Full Field with 6" masks can not be extended towards HighNA
- Original Quarter Field concept limited to ~100wph
- New Half Field concept has potential of >180wph

We can now extend the EUV Roadmap to >0.5NA

- With using 6" mask
- Good throughput potential
- 26 x 16.5 mm² image field (Half Field)

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*Lack of money is no obstacle,
lack of an idea is an obstacle*

Ken Hakuta

